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VIRGINIA.

THE KU-KLUX.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 5.—The following are additional details of the official report received at the Attorney-General's office relative to a Ku-Klux organization in Virginia:

"The organization exists under the name of Southern Regulators, but is properly known as Ku-Klux. The custom of the Ku-Klux is to paste notices warning persons of the punishment to be inflicted, as for instance:

"NOTICE.—Mr. —, Sir: We understand you have been befriending — by reliable men and telling him facts. We think that a man that friends said — is not far behind under any circumstances, and the punishment is forty-lashes unless well laid on. We mean just what we say. Here is a sample: 'Any one taking this down takes fifteen S. R. R.'

"This copy of notice was furnished me by the author of the letters, and was copied by him from the original, which he saw posted. The sample referred to in said notice was

A LARGE HICKORY SWITCH.

placed under my door, and I have given the Klan ring. [Here are given the names of eight men, two of whom are colored.] The two colored men and Mr. — sustain good characters, and especially the latter, who has been whipped twice. Another white man was with them, and one of them only has been missing him and entering the facing of his door. A. B. was a candidate for Justice at the last spring election, and C. D. voted for him. I am sure that the Klan at the time of the whipping that they were

WHIPPED ON SAID ACCOUNT.

Mr. S. was whipped because of his outspoken disapproval of the men and their wanton assaults upon private citizens. G. H. was whipped because he was a good man, and as a reason for whipping him, he was on the same night stole his pistol and have not returned it.

"I am my fortune to meet with one R. H., who gave me the following information—'d-wit': That he, R. H., had been a member of the organization. He joined for the purpose of getting into the Klan.

WHIPPING THE KLAN.

It was composed of the following-named persons—viz.: [Here are given the names of the President and members.] R. H. informed his father of his object in joining the Klan and the Klan informed him that he and R. H. were stepbrothers, who is related to a member of the Klan. Through her, it is thought, the Order was informed of its purpose, and any man is shown who after he gave his father the information he was waited upon, while chopping in the woods, by three members of the Klan and informed by them that he must join the Klan, and failing to do so, he would be whipped. In the presence of his wife to take his life.

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THEIR PURPOSE TO KILL HIM.

If they had found him guilty, and if he dared to inform against them, they would kill him. Since then, however, they have done nothing to him, and he has been forced to flee the country to save his life. On a subsequent time his house was entered and searched by two members of the Klan, and failing to find him, he fled, and failing to inform him, he declared in the presence of his wife to take his life.

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